



RECEIVED

OCT 25 2000

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Lars Hellman  
Serial No. : 09/401,636  
Filed : September 22, 1999  
Title : ENHANCED VACCINES

Art Unit : 1644  
Examiner : Gerald R. Ewoldt

TECH CENTER 1600/2900

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

## AMENDMENT

In response to the action mailed July 3, 2000, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 3 and 12-24 without prejudice.

Please amend claim 1 as follows.

1. (Amended Once) An immunogenic polypeptide, comprising a self IgE portion and a non-self IgE portion, wherein said immunogenic polypeptide is effective to induce an anti-self IgE response in a mammal, and wherein said self IgE portion comprises at least a portion of a CH3 domain of IgE.

## REMARKS

Claims 1-11 have been rejected, and claims 12-24 have been withdrawn from consideration. Claims 3 and 12-24 have been cancelled. Thus, claims 1, 2, and 4-11 are pending. In addition, claim 1 has been amended to indicate that the self IgE portion comprises at least a portion of a CH3 domain of IgE. No new matter was added by this amendment. In light of these amendments and following remarks, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of claims 1, 2, and 4-11.

## CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY FIRST CLASS MAIL

I hereby certify under 37 CFR §1.8(a) that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage on the date indicated below and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

October 12, 2000

Date of Deposit

Signature

Jill Huso

Typed or Printed Name of Person Signing Certificate